## MINIMUM REQUIREMENTS FOR A RESIDENTIAL NON-DISCHARGE CREDIT FOR WATER USAGE RELATED TO LAWN IRRIGATION (IN CONFORMANCE WITH MODIFIED CITY ORDINANCE 13.09.330-B)

## General:

The intention of this memorandum is to describe the purpose of this non-discharge credit, establish the minimum installation requirements, and to define the permitting process and meter reading requirements for a residential customer to install a sub-meter and obtain a credit. The requirements are modeled after those applied to commercial, industrial, and institutional customers receiving similar credits. While a WPCA permit is required, there is no charge for this permit.

It is the responsibility of the residential customer to obtain the requirements and approval of the Aquarion Water Company (Eversource) prior to applying for the WPCA permit. It should be noted that the water company may require a backflow preventer to be installed on the customer's modified piping. Additionally, if a backflow preventer is required, it may have to be tested yearly by the water company at an additional cost to the homeowner.

A City of Bridgeport Building Permit will be required for this work.

All installation costs, including all permit costs, are the responsibility of the residential customer.

Minimum Installation Requirements:

All piping and equipment (including but not limited to water meter, backflow preventer [if required] etc.) must be hard-piped, permanent connections. No removable or temporary connections will be permitted.

All work must be done by a licensed plumber.

All piping and metering must be permanently installed in an approved manner which will prevent any water flow to be diverted around the main meter, to ensure that all water use, with the exception of water solely used for lawn irrigation, is accurately recorded.

The WPCA and the water company, if required, must be notified before the system is placed into operation to permit the WPCA and the water company to schedule all required inspections. The WPCA can be contacted at (203) 332-5550.

All completed installations are subject to periodic reinspections by the WPCA or the water company, if required. No additional WPCA fees for these reinspections will be assessed.

Any installation determined to have been willfully modified in any way that impacts the accurate recording of the actual flow of water to the main meter will result in the elimination of this credit for the residential customer.

## Billing Procedures:

It is the residential customer's responsibility to make all quarterly readings on a form to be supplied by the WPCA and to submit these readings to the WPCA billing department at 695 Seaview Avenue in person or by fax to (203) 576-7005. A photo of the water meter reading may be required.

The WPCA billing department will calculate the credit and apply said credit to the residential customer's account by issuing a manual bill to the customer's account. No credit will be issued without the WPCA's receipt of supportive documentation. The manual bills will be subject to the WPCA's current Special Sewer Use Billing Charge (non-discharge adjustment) fee. This fee is per invoice.